Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 22 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 23 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Oct 2021 at 03:07 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High generally but lower for timing of rain on Saturday.

Headline for Friday 22 Oct 2021: Mostly dry with some bright or sunny intervals. Strong winds slowly easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 22 Oct 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny	Clear night	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
30%	10%	10%	10%	<05%	<05%

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Weather: Some heavier showers in the early hours with snow above 900m. The showers becoming isolated by dawn though any that remain could be of snow to 750m. A generally dry day with some sunny spells and occasional cloud. There is just the small chance of a brief light shower at first, wintry on the summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% in early hours, 90% or more by afternoon, 60% by midnight.

Visibility: Occasionally poor in any heavier showers in early hours. By day very good with cloud above most of the summits, but some cloud on the highest 1100m tops in the morning, and again late evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	40/49 NW	36/45 NW	22/28 NW	18/23 NW	16/20 W	12/15 SW	17/23 S
900	26/32 NW	24/29 NW	15/20 NW	13/17 NW	10/12 SW	10/13 SW	16/20 S
600	16/20 NW	13/18 NW	12/16 NW	9/12 W	8/10 SW	6/9 SW	8/12 S
300	7/18 NW	4/13 NW	8/15 NW	5/11 NW	2/6 SW	3/7 SW	4/10 SW
Glen	3/18 N	4/16 NW	5/16 NW	4/14 NW	3/7 SW	3/9 SW	4/13 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-14	-5/-15	-4/-12	-3/-11	-4/-11	-3/-8	-2/-9
900	-0/-8	-1/-9	-0/-6	0/-5	0/-4	1/-4	2/-4
600	2/-3	1/-4	2/-2	3/-0	2/-1	2/-0	3/0
300	4/1	3/2	5/2	6/4	3/1	2/0	2/1
Glen	3/3	4/3	6/5	7/6	4/3	3/2	3/0
Freezing Level*	800m	600m	600m	700m	700m	900m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A decent day on the hills on Friday but be prepared for cold conditions especially in the morning, with some slight snowcover on the tops.

Forecast for Saturday 23 Oct 2021

Weather: A rather cloudy day, with a little patchy rain developing during the morning. Some bright spells in good shelter northeast of the Cairngorms. The rain becoming more persistent over the south and west in the evening.

Maximum wind: South to southwest 35-40mph gusts 55mph increasing 50 gusts 70mph on the Plateau later

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%, falling 20% by evening.

Visibility: Mainly good by day away from cloud, occasionally moderate in patchy rain, then more widely moderate to poor in the rain in the south and west in the evening. Cloud patchy above 750-900m, often clinging to high tops, then more general cloud layers developing at 500-750m in the evening except in good shelter in the far northeast.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius in early hours rising to Plus 11 in the afternoon.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius rising to Plus 9 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1100m early hours then above summits during the day.

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